

The Wail of the Unfaithful Servant

For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

1 Thessalonians 5:2 (KJV) 

I read this scripture but I never really believed it. I thought there would be plenty of time to enjoy the pleasures of this world and savor them till the last possible moment. What a fool I was!



Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents. For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath. And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Matthew 25:28-30  (KJV)

I made fun of Christians who gave up the things of this world, like celebrating certain holidays because they were supposedly 'pagan'. I never even took the time to listen to what they had to say. When they tried to warn me I mocked them and told them that they were judging me. I had no concept of trying to live in holiness, trying to live my life to please the Lord. I was told there was nothing I could do to earn my salvation, and I took that to mean that I had no part to play in it. What a fool I was!

Again, When a righteous man doth turn from his righteousness, and commit iniquity, and I lay a stumblingblock before him, he shall die: because thou hast not given him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall not be remembered; but his blood will I require at thine hand. Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous man, that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned; also thou hast delivered thy soul.

Ezekiel 3:20-21 (KJV) 

We were so far apart spiritually that what they were saying didn't even make sense to me. I cursed, drank and fornicated, but I thought it was okay because I went to church every Sunday and my pastor never said anything to me. They even made me an usher, a Sunday School teacher, they put me on the worship team, and made me a youth pastor. I was living in sin and nobody warned me! What a fool I was!

A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.

James 1:8 (KJV) 

Wait, that isn't quite true; one person did tell me the truth and showed me scripture, but they didn't go to bible school or seminary, they had no degree. They weren't even a pastor, why should I believe them? But in reality, somewhere deep inside, I heard a still, small voice. It told me that what they were saying was the truth. But I didn't heed it because I was double minded; I wanted to go to Heaven and still enjoy living in sin, to have my cake and eat it too. What a fool I was!

I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.

Revelation 3:15-16 (KJV) 

But in the end I have no one to blame but myself. I didn't read my bible, I rejected those who tried to warn me, I trusted others with the most precious thing I had, my salvation. I was lazy; I thought God didn't care if I sinned because I once mumbled a prayer while in an emotional state that I didn't even take seriously. If I had taken it seriously my life would have changed. I bought the lie because it was convenient. I settled for a counterfeit salvation because I didn't want to pay the high price for the real thing. What a fool I was!

Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

Matthew 7:22-23 (KJV) 

God sent His only Son to die for my sins; His only Son, and I believed there was nothing required of me. But we don't value the things that cost us nothing, do we? Salvation is the free gift that **costs us everything**. Like Esau I gave up my birthright for a bowl of soup, for nothing! God gave His only Son so that I could be saved from eternity in Hell, yet I didn't even care enough to talk to Him, to get to know Him, to read His Word. What a fool I was!

